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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed March 19, 1999. Also submitted herewith are new Figures 3, 4 and 5. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.